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House Resolution 525

By: Representative Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Rotary International on the 100th Anniversary of its founding and commending
- 2 Rotary District Governor John H. Parkins III; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905, in Chicago, Illinois, is the
- 4 world's first and one of the largest nonprofit service organizations; and
- 5 WHEREAS, there are over 1.2 million Rotary club members comprised of professional and
- 6 business leaders in over 31,000 clubs in more than 165 countries; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide
- 8 humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in
- 9 the world; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Rotary funds club projects and sponsors volunteers with community expertise
- 11 to provide medical supplies, health care, clean water, food production, job training, and
- 12 education to millions in need, particularly in developing countries; and
- WHEREAS, John H. Parkins III has provided outstanding leadership and service as the
- 14 District Governor of Georgia Rotary District 6920; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he is a past president of the St. Simons Island Rotary Club and has served on
- 16 several district committees; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he and his wife Mary Ellen have given generously to the Rotary Foundation and
- 18 are Benefactors and Bequest Society Members; and
- 19 WHEREAS, under his excellent guidance, Rotarians in District 6920 are making valuable
- 20 contributions to Rotary service projects which address such critical issues as poverty, health,
- 21 hunger, illiteracy, and the environment in their local communities and abroad.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 2 the members of this body recognize the 100th Anniversary of Rotary International and
- 3 commend District Governor John H. Parkins III of Georgia Rotary District 6920 for his
- 4 outstanding service to Georgia's citizens and communities worldwide.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 6 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to District Governor John H.
- 7 Parkins III of Georgia Rotary District 6920.